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FORCE AT PATENT OFFICE WILL LOSE BONUS BY MIX-UP

Many Overpaid Up to April 15, Interior Department Records Reveal.

\$451,140 SALARY RAISE WITH EXTRA ALLOWANCE

Discovery of Confusion Caused by Congress' Generosity Falls as New Blow.

Confusion at the patent office as to who should receive the \$240 bonus since the permanent increase in pay granted by act of Congress approved by the President on February 18 has precipitated a situation that resulted in the deduction of the bonus from every employe of the office last pay day, it was learned today, and employes are in a state of high excitement throughout the office as to what the final result will be.

At the office of Secretary Fall it was revealed today that many emloyes had been overpaid the bonus up to the April 15 pay day, and that in order to straighten out the matter it had been decided to deduct all the bonus on April 15, with subsequent additions or subtractions from future pay checks.

Several Raises Granted.

Under the increase of pay granted the patent office by Congress, in which salaries were raised \$451,140, several persons received raises of more than \$200, which upder a previous act of March 3, 1921, which extended the bonus for another fiscal year, would deprive them of the benefits of the temporary bonus unless "certified."

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then, to the surprise of employes, the \$10 which is due on each semimonthly salary from the bonus was lopped off.

Furthermore, it was pointed out by a number of employes, there will be some persons who received a raise of more than \$200, who will actually receive less money than they did before the raise if the bonus is sub-tracted. In putting into effect the provision in section 6 of the bonus act, the change will actually leave persons who received a raise in pay from Congress a less income than some others who received no increase, and whose actual salary is below the former, but who receive the bonus.

Bonus to Be Given.

All who are entitled to the bonus will receive it on the May 1 pay roll, now being prepared, it was said at the office of Secretary Fall. Some persons will receive an additional \$10 which was deducted on April 15. of their loss.

While other will have staring them a little more optimistic about the damin the face deductions in order to age to the fruit crop than the orchard-pay back to the government, bonus to which they were not entitled and time would be premature and probably which they were overpaid by mis- exaggerated.

In sertain official quarters it was said that some clerks were unduly excited over the possible loss of their bonus, as some who are now fearful of losing it, will in all probability re- his place near Braddock Heights, west

peculiar discrimination which The peculiar discrimination which will be effected through placing in effect section 6 will last only until July 1, it was believed by officials, as the \$240 bonus would either expire or be taken up by Congress for renewal, with the patent office excluded.

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FORMER SUBCHASERS AND U. S. NAVY UNIFORMS **USED BY BOOTLEGGERS**

NEW YORK, April 24.-A bootlegging scheme whereby liquor was smuggled into this country from Bermuda and Cuba on former submarine chasers, commanded by officers wearing the uniform of the United States Navy, has been unearthed, it was announced today at the customhouse.

The former chaser, No. 101, renamed Fidus, has been seized with her commander and crew of seven, the announcement stated.

Custom officials are said to have received from the crew a story to the effect that pirates held up the chaser yesterday afternoon twenty niles off Montauq Point, L. I. boarded the eraft with drawn revolvers, bound the commander to the mast and seized the chaser's cargo of liquor.

MILLIONS DAMAGE BY HEAVY FROSTS

Peach Crop of Nearby States Total Loss—Apples Badly Damaged.

belts of Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia, have been seriously damaged and in some cases completely wiped out, as a result of the heavy rosts of the last four nights, according to reports reaching Washington today from these sections. A frost predicted for tonight, the fruit growers claim, will make their

crops a total loss. The entire peach crop and about

pointed out that last year according to the Supreme Court, using equipped their orchards with extensive equipment, costing thousands of dollars, and the freeze of the last the Winsted Hoslery Company, whose several nights and the disastrous methods the Federal Trade Commission selected as typical of the trade.

Vegetable Gardens Hit. Berry bushes and early vegetable gardens over a wide area of these sections also have been damaged extensively, reports to the fruit and vegetable division of crop estimates terstate commerce and enable the gardens over a wide area of these sections also have been damaged exof the Department of Agriculture show. Leon M. Estabrook, chief of the bureau of markets, expressed deep concern over the probable extent of the damage to this perishable food supply. He said, however, that deep concern over the probable exfood supply. He said, however, that the reports thus far received are fragmentary and are net specific

He also pointed out that it will be im-possible for the farmers themselves to know for several years the extent

enough to warrant any precise esti-

mate as to the extent of the damage.

Mr. Estabrook had personal experience to guide him in knowing how severely the weather hit the truck farmers. He has just returned from his place near Braddock Heights, west of Frederick. He says that one of the heaviest snowstorms he ever saw came last Friday, starting about 1:30 p.m. and continuing until about 4:30. That night there was a half meh of ice. Fruit trees were caught in full bloom,—apple, pear, plum and peaches, also current and goosberry bushes.

Mr. Estabrook saw evidences of severe damage and some fruit trees on the lower ground all browned up that showed they were hit badly. He explains, however, that the atmostance of the company insisted that the government was in error in defining that word to mean "wool," and referred to numerous standard dictionaries in support of its contention. The "generous" increase granted of Frederick. He says that one of the the patent office by Congress was held by high officials to be a substitute for the temporary bonus, and it was thought that when Congress takes up the matter of either the reclassification bill or extension of the bonus the patent office would be excluded.

LABELS ON GOODS MUST BE ACCURATE HIGH COURT RULES

Supreme Court Decision **Backs Federal Trade Board** in Hosiery Case.

OPINION CONSIDERED IMPORTANT PRECEDENT

Purchasing Public Entitled to Complete Descriptions of Prod-

nots Offered. Trade names and labels used by manufacturers must not convey to the purchasing public an inaccurate description of the materials or ingredients of the manufactured prod-

ucts, the Supreme Court decided to-

day in a case brought by the Federal Trade Commission against the Winsted Hoslery Company. Justice Brandeis, in delivering the opinion of the court, upheld the authority of the Trade Commission to issue an order to the company to desist from certain practices, typical of the trade, particularly its label "Merino," as used in connection with knit goods, on grounds that they constituted unfair competition. Justice

McReynolds dissented. Definite Ruling Desired.

Manufacturers throughout the country have been awaiting with keen 40 per cent of the apple crop in the interest the decision of the court in region extending from Martinsburg this case, hoping a rule would be to Romey, West Virginia, already laid down definitely defining the exhas been lost, reports show. Or- tent of the control the federal govchard men in this section, which un-ternment may exercise in designating the labels and brands to be used on

Fruit growers in the Maryland, the old list regularly, in addition to the increased salary up to April 15, when to the surprise of environment continuous and west virginia districts when to the surprise of environment continuous and west virginia districts when to the surprise of environment continuous and service with extension the government court with extension the surprise of environment continuous and service when the following the following

as a test case. The government hoped to obtain terstate commerce and enable the

product or its quality.

The government in arguing the cases contended it was not sufficient for manufacturers to use designations in marking their goods which are known to the trade, and insisted that the Federal Trade Commission had properly found that such practices as those followed in the knit goods trade to be unfair methods of competition. The Winsted Hosiery Company's labels of "merino," "wool" and "worsted," used in describing different grades of underwear was misleading, the government contended, because the company added no words to indicate to the public the percentage of cotton or other material not wool which had been used in the manufacture of the articles. Such practices, it declared, was an imposition upon the purchasing public.

The knit goods manufacturers, the government stated, recognized the soundness of its criticism and objection and recommended in resolutions adopted at a meeting of their associations that the practices complained of he abandoned ciations that the practices complained



BERGDOLL DENIED

Court Holds \$750,000 Is For feited If He Is Proved

deprive them of the benefits of the temporary bonus unless "certified." If the government also considered the temporary bonus unless "certified." If the government also considered the temporary bonus now.

Apple Crop Suffers Heavily.

Provision in the act of 1921 granting the extension of the bonus stated that employes who received an increase in excess of \$200 to the department that the ability and qualifications of the honus only upon the certification of the head of the graphing that the continuous properties are the graph of the part of the state, has been destroyed, according to reports from Windesters that employes who received the benefit of the state, has been destroyed, according to reports from Windesters (and the growers predicted that to the department that the ability and qualifications of the head of the graph of the part of the state, has peen graph of the graph of the graph of the part of the state, has peen graph of the gra

rom that decision the government citizenship and prevented him from der the trading-with-the-enemy act.
It was also claimed that Bergdoll,
being a fugitive from justice, could
not be heard in a court of equity be-

Attorney West and Attorney Dean Hill Stanley of the alien property custodian's office will submit proof to sustain the two claims of the govern-

MINERS MUST FACE TREASON CHARGE

Nine Union Leaders and Members Defendants in Charles Town Trial.

By the Associated Press. CHARLES TOWN, W. Va., April 24 .-

Charges of treason, growing out of the Logan march last fall, were selected today by counsel for the state as the first upon which nine union leaders and memupon which nine union leaders and mem-bers are to be tried in the circuit court. It is impossible to frame a law here. The detense amounced its inten-tion to enter a demurrer to the treason-charges and to file a motion to quash that indictment.

The opening of the trials of 120 officers and members of the United Mine Work-ers of America was delayed more than-half an hour while court attaches ar-ranged to seat the large gathering of defendants, counsel, witnesses and news-nancer men.

paper men.
The little Jefferson county district courtroom was crowded to capacity when the defendants filed in, and there when the defendants filed in, and there was the directly the country of the cou

New Skin-Dyeing Fad Throngs Henna Bath With London Belles.

By the Associated Press.

LONDON, April 24.—A henns bath cult is forming among London's more ultra-society women who deem olive-colored skin something worth acquir-

ing.

The crane is said to be of French or American origin. Buths strongly tinetured with henna dye are taken monthly and impart a delicate tint which looks, well with the evening dresses of oriental shades and designs now popular here.

Immersing is declared to be easier than treating only that considerable portion of the body exposed by modern evening gowns.

Nations, He Says.

Provisions in the pending tariff bill which would authorize the President to increase or decrease rates and proclaim American valuation were denot be heard in a court of equity because he did not come into court with clean hands.

Attorney J. S. Maxwell of Philadelphia moved to strike the portions of the answer from the files as not setting up a good defense to the action brought on behalf of Bergdoll. The court took the opposite view of the matter and Assistant United States Attorney West and Attorney Dean.

"Once they are undested." See the scribed today to the Senate by Senator Reed Smoot, republican, Utah, as not only offering a solution of the particular tariff problem now before Congress, but also as "suggesting a practical basis for a continuing scientific adjustment of the tariff." not only offering a solution of the istration.

"Once they are understood." Senator Smoot said, "I believe every member of Congress will welcome legislation which will in part free us from dealing with burdensome details, and from the exactions of putting through general tariff revision in a single

Commenting upon the time neces sary to bring out the present bill, Senator Smoot said it must be expected that "every conscientious revision of the tariff will encroach to a greater extent upon the time of the legislative branch."

Session Almost Continuous

"We are already on almost continnous session." he added, "and it becomes increasingly necessary for us to delegate to executive and administrative agencies the working out of and less violent the upheavals incident to tariff revision and which will accordingly contribute to commercial

here. The defense announced its inten-4 on the basis of conditions today which will-fit the conditions of a few years hence, or even one year from now, as conditions are changing so rapidly. We are, therefore, confronted either with the possibility of another general revision of the tariff law in a short time or with the reduction to legislation of the President's admirable proposals."

Calling attention that the finance of the proposals of the proposals. committee had stricken from the House bill provisions authorizing the President to negotiate reciprocity treaties with other countries and to impose "penalty duties" against products of countries which impose what he might regard as unreasonable duties against similar products of the United States, Senator Smoot (Continued on Page 2, Column 2.)

ARREST OF 300 ORDERED

U. S. AND MEXICAN RELATIONS BETTER

Administration Holds Off Recognition Looking to a Permanent Settlement.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE. Mexico and the United States are getting closer together.

Out of the mass of misunderstandings which has characterized the relations between the two countries there will emerge soon an agreement

Obregon would be recognized instantly. There is the friendliest disposition toward him and his administration.

On Bronder Plane.

But President Harding and Secretary Hughes are endeavoring to place the whole matter on a broader plane than the settlement of affairs of the moment. They want a settlement for all times—an understanding which will be so impressive to the whole world that Mexico pressive to the whole world that Mexico and the United States will be considered \$35,000. None of the families, who lost most were bound by an alliance. Indeed the meaning of the treaty which is under consideration today is one of friendship between the peoples first of all, execut-

ernments.

Administrations change in the United States as they do in Mexico. Recognition by a republican regime under Mr. Harding might be withdrawn by a democratic administration of a later day or by another republican President, who might be swayed by future contingencies. Recognition is at best a temporary thing, dependent upon the development of good or bad relations and the accumulation of disputes. What the United States government is saking Mexico to detailed adjustments. Business interests also will no doubt welcome measures which will render less frequent ures which will render less frequent controversy today and make an enduring settlement—a treaty which nobody on either side of the Rio Grande can af-

ford to disregard. Would Remove Bugaboo

The bugaboo of military intervention as well as political meddling on the part of Americans in Mexico

the countries unsteady. It is sought to remove once and for all these factors so that every Mexican administration will be sure of equitable treatment at Washington.

There are, of course, many persons in the United States who feel that the President Obregon's record is not by of the best. They have been trying to persuads the American government, that recognition should be withheld. And it is explained by those in authority that the situation is viewed on an impersonal basis, for the agreement is to be between the peoples of the two countries and signed by whatever administration is in supreme authority at the time. Recognition was accorded the Carrana government in the past when it had much less control of the situation than the Obregon government's prove the American government in the past when it had much less control of the situation than the Obregon government's proventive that the time. Recognition was accorded the Carrana government in the past when it had much less control of the situation than the Obregon government's proventive that the control of the situation than the Obregon government's proventive that the second of the second of the proventive that the second of the second of the proventive that the second of the proventive that the proventive that the second of the proventive that the second of

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FOR DEDICATION FETE **FAVORED BY PRESIDENT** Whether federal and District

HALF HOLIDAY PLANNED

government employes will be granted a half holiday next Thursday to witness the dedication of the Grant Memorial in Botanic Garden is left to the department heads, not to President Harding.

This fact was made known at the White House today. The President, when seen by a delegation representing those arranging for the celebration, indicated that he approved of such a holiday for the employes and intimated that he would make his approval known to the members of his cabinet and those in charge of the several independent government agencles dependent government agencies and to the District Commissioners. Following this expression of approval on the part of the executive the delegates left the White House feeling confident that the half holiday would be granted.

In the delegation were Bishop Samuel Sallows of Chicago, president of the Army of the Tennessee, and chairman of the Grant Memorial Commission; Brig. Gen. John Clem, U. S. A., retired, and Col. John McElroy, District department commander, G. A. R.

8 FAMILIES FLEE FOREST GLEN FIRE

Block Containing Post Office and Store Practically Wrecked.

Trading Company at Forest Glen, the department of the Meuse today. Md., owned by Harry Wardman, barely escaped with their lives from grocery run by Israel Linhart and the of the treaty. post office. C. M. Miles is the Forest Glen postmaster. The explosion woke

the block, and they fied to the street there will emerge soon an agreement greater in its significance than merely the extension of recognition by one government to another—a treaty of permanent friendship and good will.

So much emphasis has been placed upon the points of controversy of the past that an understanding of what the Harding administration has been striving to achieve in the Mexican situation unfortunately has been impossible on either side of the international boundary.

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up the families, all of whom were in

order out of chaos and that substan-tial progress has been made toward a return of normalcy. If it were a mat-ter of according recognition to a re-gime which deserved it, President Obregon would be recognized in-stantly. There is the friendliest dis-position toward him and his admin-

estimated to have been worth about

None of the families, who lost most of their personal belongings, had insurance, it was stated. They are: H. H. Bopst, wife and child; C. M. Miles, Forest Glen postmaster, wife and child, Mrs. Lavina Davis, Albert Kramer, wife and child, and two visiting families, with three sick children; Isreal Linhart, wife and two children, and E. A. Sherman and wife. Mr. Sherman is associate forester of the forest service of the Department of Agriculture.

Scientific Instruments Lost.

Mr. Bopst, whose chemical research laboratory, containing a collection of in Silesia, the formation of police orvaluable scientific instruments, is a ganizations in Germany composed of total loss, said he was reading a former non-commissioned officers, newspaper in his rooms on the second which he said were so easily transfloor on the west end of the building formed into a framework of military when he became aware of a wave of heat from the floor. Within a few seconds he heard the shots. Arousing his wife and child, he led them down the stairs, and aroused "Things are going in Germany," ha as many other sleeping residents as he could. Mr. Linhart and his family, who were on the ground floor behind the grocery got out with little trouble, while the Kramer family and their visitors and the Miles family had to first their way though

Survivors today declared the greatest credit is due the Silver Spring to linear fire department, which was at the scene of the fire within ten minutes after a telephone call had been put in, although most of the firemen had retired for the night. There are no hydrants at Forest Glen and the members of the Silver Spring department pymped water from a stream which runs back of the ruined building and succeeded in saving from total destruction the entire west end of the block, although water damaged the interior to some extent. The Rockville apparatus answered a call later and pumped water from an Russia to Be Discussed.

FRENCH THREATEN TO QUIT AT GENOA IF PLANS DIGRESS

Premier Poincare Warns Parley Must Continue Under Agreed Conditions.

SAYS COUNTRY IS READY TO ENFORCE PACT ALONE Will Undertake to Carry Out Ver-

sailles Treaty if Germans Default on Reparations. By the Associated Press.

LONDON, April 24.—A Central

News dispatch from Genea to-

"It is learned unofficially that the reds (soviet Russian representatives) are negotiating a secret treaty with Hungary giving mutual support against Rumania and the little entente."

BAR-LE-DUC, April 24.-Premier Poincare announced in a speech here oday that if the French delegation at Genoa could not go ahead with its work under the agreed conditions France would regretfully have to cease participation in the conference. France will, if necessary, undertake alone to see that the treaty of Ver-Aroused from sleep shortly after sailles is executed if the Germans midnight this morning by revolver default in their reparations payments. shots, eight families living in the Premier Poincare intimated, in a business block of the Forest Glen speech before the general council of

The 31st of May, when the Germans must either accept the conditions laid a fire which nearly destroyed the down by the reparations commission property, causing \$65,000 damage. or default in their payment, is an A revolver in the post office in the important date for France, said the west end of the concrete business premier. It is France's duty, he addblock was set off by the heat. Ap- ed, "in full independence," to assume parently the fire started between the the duty of maintaining the integrity

Insists on Treaty Terms.

"All we have ever asked and all we ask today is the execution of the treaty," said M. Poincare, "and that we must have and shall have. The peace of Europe depends upon it. Our future and our national pros-

perity depend upon it. "It is not by precipitate action or by decisions without reflection that we will obtain it. It is by persevering and methodical action. But it must be done."

what the Harding administration has been striving to achieve in the Mexican situation unfortunately has been impossible on either side of the international boundary.

The problem can be best understood when it is explained that, so far as satisfying the requirements of recognition, few people will doubt that the Obregon government has brought order out of chaos and that substantial progress has been made toward a return of normalicy. If it were are international to understanding of between Washington and Cumber between Washington and Cumber land and Pittsburgh, interrupting the dedone."

The promier declared he ardently hoped for the co-operation of the allies in case Germany defaulted, "but according to the terms of the treaty," he added, "each may in case of need take, respectively, such measures as are deemed necessary, and we shall not suffer it that one unfortunate from an overheated furnace in the basement beneath the grocery and post office. The location on the west end of the ruined structure today is a "We shall defend in full indexation."

dence, the French cause, and we shall not abandon any arms the treaty gives us."

Answers Imperialism Charge. Referring to the charges of militarism and imperialism made against

France, M. Poincare said: "The imperialism of France is a current theme in some countries, in which we are charged with ulterior motives of conquest, I do not know of a single French public man who has ever dreamed of territorial an-

has ever dreamed of territorial annexation. But who does not understand today after the Rapallo accord (the Russo-German treaty) the imprudence there would be in our disarming too rapidly.

"That accord brings out into the full light the sympathies which had developed in the darkness between the bolsheviki and the Germans. How many persons wrested from their confidence of yesterday will not now adfidence of yesterday will not now admit that the cabinet was right in desiring to insist for the moment on eighteen months' military service?"

Sees Armed Danger.

M. Poincare referred to the discoveries of stocks of arms and munitions said, "as if the pan-Germans were watching for an opportunity to foment trouble, sooner or later, on their